

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 remain present in this application.

Claims 1, 17, 20 and 24 have been amended. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The claims stand objected to for certain informalities. In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that these informalities have been addressed. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of any objection to the claims are respectfully requested.

The Examiner has not specifically objected to the specification, but has requested that any necessary spelling corrections be made. The undersigned has reviewed the specification and not found any errors which need to be corrected.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the Examiner considers claims 1-39 to be allowable. It is noted, however, that there claims 1-40 are present in this application. It is unclear whether the Examiner has considered claim 40, which can be found on page 15 of the originally filed specification and is present in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system as a part of the image file wrapper. Claim 40 should also be in condition for allowance. **It is respectfully requested that the Examiner clearly indicate in his next action that claims 1-40 are present and allowable.**

Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

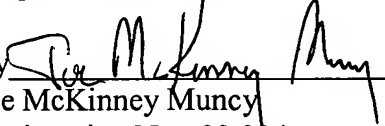
Because the additional prior art cited by the Examiner has been included merely to show the state of the prior art and has not been utilized to reject the claims, no further comments concerning these documents are considered necessary at this time.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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